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PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed DNRC/FWP Land Exchange

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) and the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP), are evaluating a proposed land exchange in Ravalli County. DNRC lands proposed for exchange include an in-holding on the Calf Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA); SE1/4, Section 16, T6N, R19W; an in-holding on the Threemile WMA; N1/2SE1/4, Section 30, T10N, R18W. FWP land proposed for exchange is the recently purchased Lyman Creek Property, an in-holding in the Sula State Forest; W1/2SW1/4, Section 13 and Gov't Lots 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, SW1/4NE1/4, Section 14, T2N, R19W.

The proposal is for the FWP to exchange approximately 368 acres within the Sula State Forest to DNRC for lands within or adjacent to the Calf Creek and Threemile WMA's of approximate acres and value. This exchange will allow both DNRC and FWP to consolidate their holdings and provide for improved management of their respective lands. Improved management of these lands will benefit Trust beneficiaries, the public and associated wildlife values.

DNRC and FWP will utilize comments received to help identify issues and the appropriate level of environmental analysis necessary for the proposed land exchange. Please send written comments to:

Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Attn: Paul Moore pmoore@mt.gov P.O. Box 713 Hamilton, MT 59840

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Comments must be received by July 27, 2007